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**PATENT**  
Docket No.: 50435-015 (P2145)

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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In re Application of  
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: Group Art Unit: 2132

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: Examiner: D. Meislahn

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**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Examiner's non-final Office Action dated February 13, 2001. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE DRAWINGS:**

Please amend Figures 1 and 6 of the drawings to label them Prior Art as shown in the attached Request for Approval of Drawing Amendment.

Figure 3 of the drawings has not been labeled and a Petition to the Group Director has been filed from the Examiner's holding that Figure 3 should be labeled Prior Art.

Figure 5 has been amended to show labels as requested by the Examiner.

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please amend the specification as follows: